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ADDENDUM TO THE "I/A" ITEM NOTE

from :	General Secretariat of the Council
to :	COREPER / COUNCIL

Subject : Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulation (EC) No 562/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing a Community Code on the rules governing the movement of persons across borders (Schengen Borders Code), the Convention implementing the Schengen Agreement, Council Regulations (EC) No 1683/95 and (EC) No 539/2001 and Regulations (EC) No 767/2008 and (EC) No 810/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council **(first reading)**
- Adoption of the legislative act **(LA + S)**
= Statements

COMMON GUIDELINES
Consultation deadline for Croatia: 19.6.2013

Statement by Slovenia

"The Republic of Slovenia expresses its commitment to comprehensive implementation of the proposed changes of the Regulation (EC) No 562/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 15 March 2006 establishing a Community Code on the rules governing the movement of persons across borders (Schengen Borders Code) and the Convention implementing the Schengen Agreement (2011/0051 (COD)). However, at the same time it wishes to point out possible consequences of the changes to Article 21, paragraph d, of the Schengen Borders Code and Article 22 of the Convention.

The existing obligation for third-country nationals to register their presence to the competent authorities of a Member State presents a crucial connection between a third country national and a Member State. The amendment of the Articles mentioned above transforms this obligation into a possibility for a Member State to regulate this issue in its national legislation. We believe that non-harmonised rules in Member States could have an unfavourable effect on the management of migration flows and consequently on the level of internal security in Member States and in the Union."

Statement by Hungary

"Hungary considers that the amendments to the Schengen Borders Code constitute a timely and important development and valuable addition to the tools at the Member States' disposal in the protection and management of the Union's external borders. During the deliberations, Hungary has actively contributed to the text with significant proposals.

However, as regards certain provisions in the text of the draft Regulation put on the agenda of the Council by the Presidency concerning the content of bilateral agreements with third countries, notably in Annex VI, Hungary has concerns as regards the revision of existing bilateral agreements; which can have a negative effect on already ongoing cooperation with third countries in the course of border checks, based on recently concluded and finalized bilateral agreements."
